EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 069

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Framework Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, signed at Brasilia on March 1, 1996, as extended (hereinafter referred to as "the 1996 Agreement").

I am pleased to recognize the significant achievements in cooperative activities in space of our two Governments under the 1996 Agreement, and to express the desire of the United States that our mutually beneficial relationship continue under the new Framework Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, signed at Brasilia on March 19, 2011 (hereinafter referred to as "the 2011 Agreement").

However, I note that the 1996 Agreement expired January 31, 2012, and the 2011 Agreement, though signed, has not yet entered into force. Accordingly, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I have the honor to propose that the 1996 Agreement, consistent with Article 13 thereof, be extended for an additional live years, through January 31, 2017.

I further propose that if this extension is acceptable to the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil, this Note and your affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments to extend the 1996 Agreement, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply Note, with effect from February 1, 2012.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ambassador Thomas Shannon

Embassy of the United States of America

Brasilia, February 3, 2012.



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May 3, 2012

Ambassador Thomas Shannon Embassy of the United States of America

Mr. Ambassador,

I have the honor to refer to Note No. 69 of February 3, 2012, which reads as

follows:

Quote:

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express the desire of the United States that our mutually beneficial relationship continue under the new Framework Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, signed at Brasilia on March 19, 2011 (hereinafter referred to as "the 2011 Agreement").

However, I note that the 1996 Agreement expired January 31, 2012, and the 2011 Agreement, though signed, has not yet entered into force. Accordingly, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I have the honor to propose that the 1996 Agreement, consistent with Article 13 thereof, be extended for an additional five years, through January 31, 2017.

I further propose that if this extension is acceptable to the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil, this Note and your affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments to extend the 1996 Agreement, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply Note, with effect from February 1, 2012.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ambassador Thomas Shannon

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Brasilia, February 3, 2012

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- 2. In view of the importance of this Agreement in developing bilateral space cooperation between Brazil and the United States, I have the honor to accept your proposal to extend the Agreement, and confirm that your note and this note in reply shall constitute an agreement between our governments to extend the Framework Agreement until January 31, 2017, which shall enter into force on the date of signature of this note.
- 3. I avail myself of the opportunity to renew to you, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signature]

Antonio de Aguiar Patriota Minister of Foreign Relations